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To: Persons interested in the 2001-2003 *Puget Sound Water Quality Work Plan*

We are pleased to present the *2001-2003 Puget Sound Water Quality Work Plan*. This work plan provides a blueprint for coordinating state, federal, tribal and local action during the 2001-2003 state biennium. As of July 2001, this work plan contains state agency actions only. In the coming months, Action Team staff will invite local and tribal governments and federal agencies to identify actions they will take during the biennium to implement the *Puget Sound Water Quality Management Plan*. Six priority issues are targeted in the 2001-2003 work plan:

- Contaminated sediment sites
- Nearshore habitat
- Salmon, ground fish, forage fish and other species at risk
- Shellfish beds
- Stormwater
- On-site sewage systems

In 2000, the Puget Sound Water Quality Action Team, in cooperation with the Puget Sound Council updated the *Puget Sound Water Quality Management Plan*. This work plan sets priorities and provides short-term guidance and resources to implement the revised management plan.

Both the revised long-term management plan and the biennial work plan are intended to more efficiently coordinate and focus activities where priorities have been identified by scientists, government and local citizens. We need the continued support and involvement of the Puget Sound community if we are to make and sustain improvements in the health of Puget Sound.

I want to thank everyone who helped develop these plans. We need and look forward to your partnership and support in implementing them.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy McKay".

Nancy McKay  
Chair